

CCI in Saudi Arabia rises by 2.2% in September 2026

The Construction Cost Index (CCI) recorded a 2.2% increase in September 2026 compared to the corresponding month of the previous year (September 2025). This increase is mainly attributed to a 2.1% rise in construction costs for the residential sector and a 2.6% rise in construction costs for the non-residential sector (Figure 1).

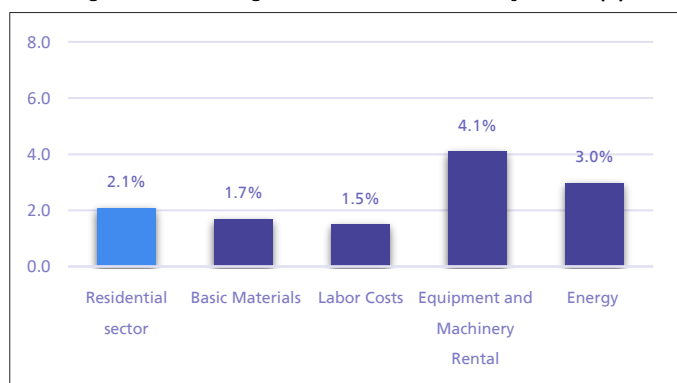
Figure 1. Annual change in the general CCI (%)



Annual change in CCI for the residential sector

The CCI for the residential sector increased by 2.1% year-on-year. This increase was attributed to a 1.7% rise in the cost of basic materials, driven by a 3.5% increase in the prices of timber and joinery, as well as a 4.1% increase in the costs of renting equipment and machinery, driven by a 5.5% increase in the costs of renting equipment and machinery with an operator, an increase in labor costs by 1.5%, and the energy prices by 3.0% (Figure 2).

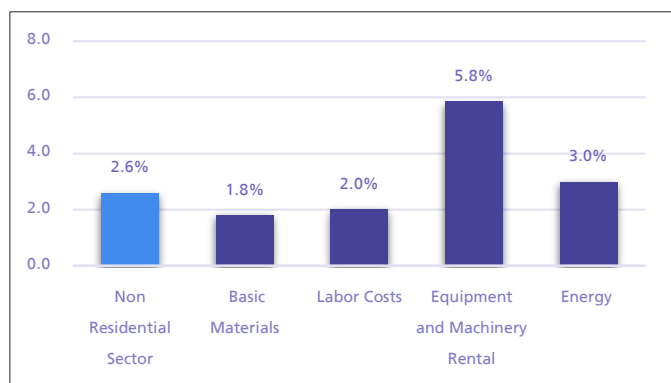
Figure 2. Annual change in CCI for residential sector by sections (%)



Annual change in CCI for the non-residential sector

The CCI for the non-residential sector increased by 2.6% year-on-year. This increase was attributed to a 5.8% rise in the costs of renting equipment and machinery, driven by a 7.2% increase in the costs of renting equipment and machinery with an operator, a 2.0% increase in labor costs, and a 3.0% increase in energy costs. The cost of basic materials also increased by 1.8%, due to the rise in the prices of other building materials by 4.3% and timber and joinery by 2.1% (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Annual change in CCI for non-residential sector by sections (%)



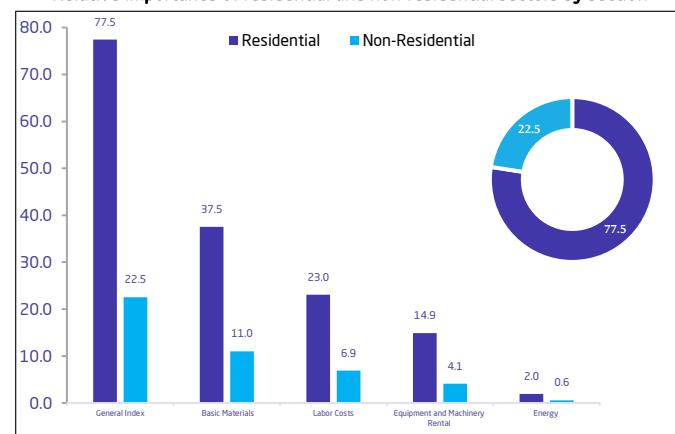
Monthly change in construction costs

The CCI remained stable in September 2026 compared to August 2026, primarily due to the stability of costs in both the residential and non-residential sectors (Figure 4).

Figure 4. Monthly change in the general CCI (%)



Relative importance of residential and non-residential sectors by section



Methodology and quality

The Construction Cost Index (CCI) reflects price movements in construction input costs, consisting of 51 items. The prices of which are collected monthly from 13 regions through field visits to contractors' offices, engineering offices, and construction material sales establishments. The year 2023 has been set as the base year, and the Construction Cost Index Statistics are published monthly. For more details, please refer to: [Methodology and Quality. Table](#)